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ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT March 2002 Update

SAC ... H2P2 Implementation Activities

Hawaii

The Hawai'i County SAC and partners (Hawaii County Office of Aging, County of Hawaii Mass Transportation Agency, the County of Hawaii Department of Research and Development, and the University of Hawaii Department of Urban and Regional Planning) met to review and respond to questions raised by a local foundation regarding its application to conduct a behavioral health access study. Members assessed and clarified its overall proposed efforts (proposed project plan and intended outcomes). Their responses were submitted to the local foundation.

Tri-Isle

The Maui County Dental Health Alliance (created by the Tri-Isle SAC) and partners sponsored a hands-on "Maui Dental Fair – For Children of All Ages" on February 15-18, 2002. The dental fair was held at the Queen Kaahumanu Center and enabled community members to: learn about the oral healthcare field, have hands-on science experiments, learn about baby bottle tooth decay and other prevention approaches, visit with the tooth fairy, receive screenings by the Mobile Van, and have healthy snacks provided by Maui Community College and the Simply Healthy Cafe. Approximately 1500 community members attended the event, including two classes from the Head Start program. The fair was made possible by a grant from the American Dental Association Health Foundation's Harris Fund for Children's Dental Health.

Tri-Isle SAC members and partners continue to plan and organize activities to address baby bottle caries in the county. The partners are distributing brochures on preventing baby bottle tooth decay in Maui, Molokai and Lanai and organizing educational activities for parents and professionals. Members have drafted tools to measure process and outcome measures.

Honolulu

The Honolulu Subarea Health Planning Council selected "Injuries – abuse and neglect in the family" as the next health priority to focus on. This priority was further refined to target the Elderly in the multi-generational family who lives independently or is homeless and who is on public support. M. Seely, Director of the Executive Office on Aging is scheduled to speak at the Council's April meeting.

Windward

Partnership with Windward Oahu Asthma Coalition: A sub-committee is proceeding to develop funding requests for the Hā Mai I Ke Ola Program (Breath of Life), Open Airways program in the Kahuku and Waimanalo complexes of O`ahu. The American Lung Association of Hawaii is serving as the umbrella agency for the coalition.

Addressing Hypertension: The SAC continued discussions on how best to proceed in addressing hypertension in the Windward area. Members agreed to continue to gather information and will have the American Heart Association meet with them in April.

West Oahu

West O`ahu SAC members are in an information gathering stage relating to underage alcohol usage. The SAC has designed and is scheduled to conduct a preliminary survey aimed at understanding the nature and extent of resources in the community to address alcohol abuse among middle school students.

Kauai

The Kauai Subarea Health Planning Council selected "Substance Abuse in the Workplace" as the next health priority under review and possible follow-up. Two officers from the Kauai County Police Department gave members an overview of this problem on Kauai and recommended a drug testing policy and initial hiring at less than 20 hrs. Members will further define this broad problem area and outline possible projects at the next meeting.

Certificate of Need Update

#02-02A

Maui Youth and Family Services, Inc. for the addition of seven (7) beds and a change in location of the special treatment facility (Ho`omaka Hou II) from 269 Haulani St., Pukalani, Maui to 1931C Baldwin Ave., Makawao, Maui at a capital cost of \$540,000. Public meeting April 10, 2002.

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Honolulu Surgery Center, L.P. for the addition of twelve (12) limited partners at a capital cost of \$1,912,500. Public notice March 25, 2002.